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SUBJECT: EVACUATION OF AMERICAN CITIZENS

REFS: (A) KINSHASA 2845 (B) KINSHASA 2846

1. DEPARTMENT COMMENDS EMBASSY ON HANDLING OF EVACUATION
CIS AMCIT EMPLOYEES. THIS PROBLEM WILL PRESUMABLY
BECOME AGGRAVATED IF KATANGAN INVADERS MOVE INTO OR
AROUND KOLWEZI. PEACE CORPS AND DEPARTMENT RECEIVING
GROWING NUMBER OF INQUIRIES FROM RELATIVES OF PCVS,
MISSIONARIES, AND USG STAFF.

2. IMPLICATIONS OF ANY DECISION TO EVACUATE ARE
OBVIOUS BUT AMERICAN PUBLIC OPINION LIKELY TO BE MORE
CONCERNED ABOUT SAFETY AMCITS THAN POLITICAL
IMPLICATIONS. PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP US INFORMED
OF DEVELOPMENTS INVOLVING EVACUATION OF AMCITS AND
DEPENDENTS FROM OTHER COPPERBELT TOWNS.

3. THERE ARE OBVIOUS CONFLICT OF INTEREST HERE BETWEEN OUR
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INFORMATION NEED TO REASSURE CONCERNED RELATIVES AND
APPEAR CREDIBLE TO CRITICAL PRESS CORPS (E.G., ON ISSUE
LIKE MILITARY SITUATION) AND ZAIRIAN DESIRE TO MINIMIZE

PANIC. AT TIMES, WE MUST ERR ON SIDE OF DOMESTIC
AUDIENCE, BUT WE SHALL TRY TO BE MORE SENSITIVE TO
ZAIRIAN CONCERNS.

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